

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

NATIONAL UNION FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY OF PITTSBURGH
PENNSYLVANIA, a corporation, and
AMERICAN HOME ASSURANCE
COMPANY, a corporation,

No. C04-3435 JSW (MEJ)

NOTICE OF REFERENCE

Plaintiff(s),

vs.

ELECTRIC TRANSIT INCORPORATED, an
Ohio corporation and joint venture of SKODA,
a.s., a corporation, SKODA OSTROV, s.r.o., a
corporation, AAI CORPORATION, a
corporation, and CZECH EXPORT BANK, a
corporation,

Defendant(s).

TO ALL PARTIES AND COUNSEL OF RECORD:

The above-captioned case was referred to Magistrate Judge Maria-Elena James for purposes of discovery. Please be advised that if a specific motion was filed before the district court prior to this referral, the noticed date will no longer be in effect. Rather, the parties shall comply with Judge James' Standing Order Regarding Discovery and Dispute Procedures, a copy of which may be obtained from the Northern District of California's website at <http://www.cand.uscourts.gov/>. From the homepage, click on the "Judges" tab on the left margin, then choose Magistrate Judge

1 James.

2 Counsel are advised that in regard to any pending discovery disputes, they must comply with
3 Judge James' standing order and meet and confer in person. If the parties are unable to resolve their
4 dispute after the meet and confer session, they shall file a joint meet and confer letter. A separate
5 letter may be filed for each dispute. Upon careful review of the parties' letter, the Court will either
6 order further briefing, oral argument, or deem the matter submitted on the papers. Accordingly, any
7 pending discovery motions are hereby DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE to the filing of a joint
8 letter.

9 Further, when filing papers that require the Court to take any action (e.g. motions, meet and
10 confer letters, administrative requests), the parties shall, in addition to filing papers electronically,
11 lodge with chambers a printed copy of the papers by the close of the next court day following the day
12 the papers are filed electronically. These printed copies shall be marked "Chambers Copy" and shall
13 be submitted to the Clerk's Office, in an envelope clearly marked with Judge James' name, case
14 number and "E-Filing Chambers Copy." Parties shall not file a paper copy of any document with the
15 Clerk's Office that has already been filed electronically. **Any proposed orders must also be**
16 **emailed in Word or Wordperfect format to: mejpo@cand.uscourts.gov**

17 Please contact the Courtroom Deputy Clerk, Brenda Tolbert, at (415) 522-4708 with any
18 questions.

19 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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21 Dated: March 8, 2006

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24 MARIA ELENA JAMES
25 United States Magistrate Judge
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